

# PUBLIC NOTICE



## Shepherds Flat Central

### Request for Comments on Request for Amendment 4 to Transfer Certificate Holder Ownership and Notice of Transfer Hearing

**Summary:**

Date Notice Issued: February 5, 2021

Request: Amend site certificate to authorize transfer of certificate holder ownership

Facility Location: Gilliam and Morrow counties

**Transfer Hearing:**

**Date:** February 26, 2021 (anticipated)

**Time:** 11:45 a.m. (anticipated)

**Location:** Energy Facility Siting Council Meeting

Deadline for Comments: At the close of Transfer Hearing described above.

**Introduction:** The Oregon Department of Energy (ODOE), staff to the Energy Facility Siting Council, received Request for Amendment 4 (RFA4) to transfer certificate holder ownership of the Shepherds Flat Central Site Certificate from Caithness Energy, LLC to BEP SF Holdings, LLC. South Hurlburt Wind, LLC would remain as the certificate holder.

**Description of the Facility:** Shepherds Flat Central (facility) is a 290 megawatt (MW) operating wind energy generation facility with 116 wind turbines. The facility is located within a site boundary of approximately 11,769 acres in Gilliam and Morrow counties. Related or supporting facilities include a 34.5 kilovolt (kV) electrical collection system, a collector substation, a 230 kV interconnection transmission line, two meteorological towers, a field workshop, supervisory control and data acquisition system, and access roads.

**Facility Location:** The facility is located south of Interstate Highway 84 and east of Arlington, in Gilliam and Morrow counties. A map of the facility site boundary is included in this notice or visit our online mapping tool at <https://tinyurl.com/EFSCmap>.

**Site Certificate Transfer Process:** To approve a Request for Amendment to Transfer, EFSC must find that the proposed new certificate holder

owner, BEP SF Holdings, Inc, complies with the Council's Organizational Expertise (OAR 345-022-0010) and Retirement and Financial Assurance (OAR 345-022-0050) standards.

ODOE will provide recommended findings of facts regarding compliance with the above standards, including an evaluation of any comments received prior to the transfer hearing, in a staff report to Council at least 14 days prior to the transfer hearing. The staff report, to include a draft Final Order, will be available on the Council's webpage and the Department's project webpage.

Prior to Council's review of the draft Final Order, Council will hold a transfer hearing. The transfer hearing is not a contested case hearing. At the conclusion of the transfer hearing, the Council will review the draft Final Order and take action to either approve or deny the final order; and, will either issue or deny issuance of an amended site certificate.

**Transfer Hearing and Comment Period:** A Transfer Hearing is anticipated to be held at 11:45 a.m. on Friday, February 26, 2021 during the Council's regularly scheduled meeting but could occur at a later date; WebEx details and physical address, if in-person option is available, will be provided via the Department's project webpage at least 14 days prior to the transfer hearing and will also be noticed via Council agenda.

Written comments are due no later than the close of the Transfer Hearing. Department staff will be available to answer questions related to the EFSC transfer process and the facility.

Written or oral comments may be submitted prior to the transfer hearing by mail, e-mail, hand-delivery or fax. Please send comments to:

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Phone: 503-373-0214

Written or oral comments may also be provided at the transfer hearing. The Council will not accept comments on Request for Amendment to Transfer after the close of the record of the transfer hearing.

**Receipt of this Notice:** Please note that you may be receiving this notice for multiple reasons:

1. You own property within or adjacent to (within 500 feet) the property on which the facility is located. You will automatically receive all future notices on this facility.
2. You have requested to receive paper notices on Shepherds Flat Central. If you wish to be removed from these mailing lists, please contact Kellen Tardaewether.
3. You have previously signed up via GovDelivery/ClickDimensions or by contacting ODOE to receive notices related to Shepherds Flat Central or all EFSC project-related notices. You will automatically receive all future notices per your request, unless you unsubscribe via ClickDimensions or by contacting ODOE.

#### **More Information**

Please contact Kellen Tardaewether, Senior Siting Analyst, at the listed e-mail address, phone number, or mailing address. More information about the facility and updates on the review process is available using any of the options below.

#### **1) ODOE's webpage**

More details on Shepherds Flat Central including the Request for Amendment to Transfer are available online on at: [State of Oregon: Facilities - Shepherds Flat Central](#)

Additional resources to help you participate in the state siting process can be found at: <http://www.oregon.gov/energy/facilities-safety/facilities/pages/default.aspx>

#### **2) Updates by e-mail**

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#### **3) In hardcopy**

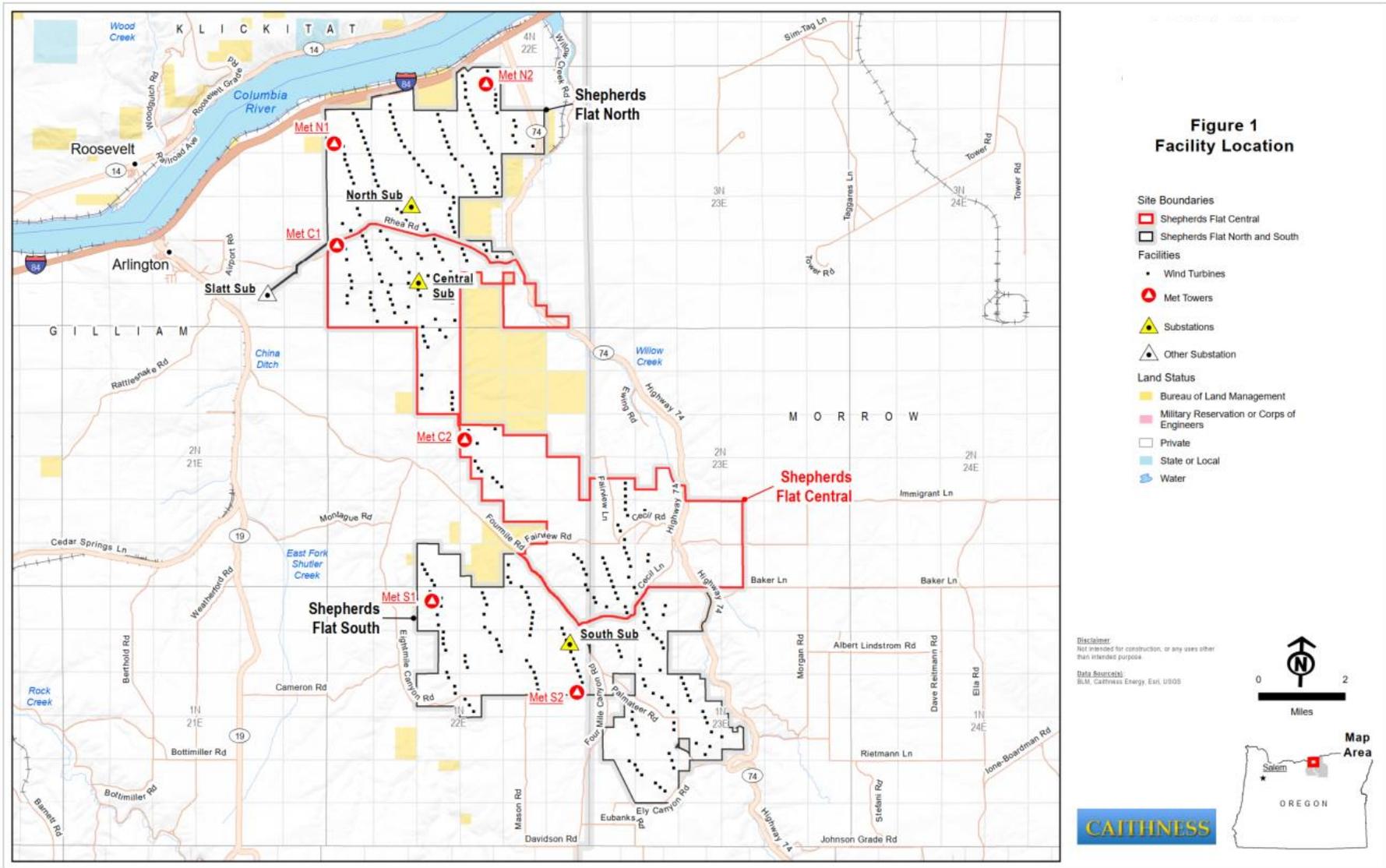
Copies of Request for Amendment 4 to Transfer Certificate Holder Ownership are available for public inspection at:

Oregon Department of Energy  
550 Capitol Street NE  
Salem, OR 97301

Please contact Kellen Tardaewether if you wish to arrange a time to inspect the request to transfer.

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**Figure 1: Shepherds Flat Central – Regional Location/Facility Site Boundary**



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